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For: METHOD OF IMPROVING GENE TRANSFER      Examiner: C. K. Worley  
EFFICIENCY INTO PLANT CELLS

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Final Office Action dated January 25, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.